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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the official action mailed January 10, 2005 for the above-referenced patent application. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for reviewing the instant application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.